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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Oleg Graf et al.

Serial No.: 10/514,404

Filed: November 15, 2004

Conf. No.: 4117

For: Force Assistance Module for Providing a Load-Dependent Assistance Force

Examiner: Galen L. Barefoot  
Group No.:3637AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2.  Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.  
 Enclosed is a verified statement to establish small entity status.  
 Other Than a Small Entity.
3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	Rate
TOTAL	* 23	MINUS	** 21	2	x 25	\$	x 50
INDEP.	* 1	MINUS	*** 1		x 100	\$	x 200
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						+180	\$
					TOTAL FEE	\$	TOTAL FEE
							\$ 100

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

\*\* If the "Highest No. Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

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The "Highest No. Previously Paid for" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

 No additional fee for claims is required. Total fee for claims required \$ 100.4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 100. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$       .A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

- (a)  Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Extension (months)</u>	<u>Fee for other than small entity</u>	<u>Fee for small entity</u>
one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
two months	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
three months	\$ 1020.00	\$ 510.00
four months	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
five months	\$2,160.00	\$ 1080.00

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_.  
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

OR (b)

- Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

- If any additional fee for claims or extension is required, charge Acct. No. 23-3000.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 24, 2006, please reconsider the claims in light of the remarks/arguments set forth below.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Formal Drawings** are attached hereto at the end of this paper.